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Re: Weirton Basic Oxygen Plant (BOP) Implosion Site in Weirton, Hancock County, West Virginia; Request for Access to Property

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is conducting a removal site evaluation at properties located on or around Weir Avenue in Weirton, Hancock County, West Virginia as a result of the implosion at the Weirton Steel Basic Oxygen Plant. In order to assess any potential releases from the Site, EPA requests consent to access real property that you own in this area in order to perform sampling of soils during the week of February 10, 2020. A list of the properties is included in Attachment A and a map showing the properties is provided as Attachment B.

EPA will be conducting the removal site evaluation under the authority of Section 104 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. § 9604. Under CERCLA, EPA is authorized to investigate and clean up, or require responsible parties to investigate and clean up, hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants which have been, or may threaten to be, released into the environment. Access to your property is necessary to enable the Agency to determine whether such a release has occurred.

I have attached a "Consent for Access to Property" form for your review and signature. The Consent for Access details EPA's planned sampling activities, as well as the equipment and the personnel that EPA will need to bring onto the Property. EPA requests that the Consent for Access to Property be in effect for 30 days from the date that it is signed. EPA anticipates that the fieldwork is expected to take two to three days to complete.

EPA is requesting that you sign and date the enclosed form and return it by February 3, 2020. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at (304) 234-0249.

Sincerely,

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Deborah Lindsey
On-Scene Coordinator
Western Response Section

## **CONSENT TO ENTER AND COLLECT SAMPLES**





and further identified in Attachment A and B

The undersigned consents to entry to the above-described properties ("Properties") by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and their employees, agents, contractors, and authorized representatives (collectively "Responders") for purposes of collecting surface soil samples at the Properties in connection with EPA's investigation of the Weirton Basic Oxygen Plant (BOP) Implosion Site. The Response Activities will require, at a minimum, that the following personnel and equipment may be brought onto the Properties:

- 1-2 EPA personnel
- 2-3 contractor personnel
- Sampling equipment/glassware/coolers
- Hand tools/hand shovels

Access is requested for the sole purpose of conducting the Response activities described above. The Response Activities will be conducted under authority of Section 104 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 9604.

Consent to enter to conduct the above-described activities is given for a period of thirty (30) business days from the date this document is signed. The undersigned represents that he/she is authorized to sign this document and to consent to the entry provided herein. The undersigned understands that EPA will provide split samples at the request of the undersigned or his/her representative if EPA is provided with appropriate glassware/containers at the time such samples are collected.

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